

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 28-48, drawn to a composition.

Kindly consider the possibility of rejoinder of the non-elected invention, upon a determination of allowance of the elected invention, per U.S. rejoinder practice.

In response to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicants hereby elect the mixture of saturated C₈-C₁₈ fatty acids and the pharmaceutical active principle as the elected species. It is respectfully submitted that at least claims 28-48 are readable thereon.

Kindly consider and examine additional species, upon a determination of the elected species, in accordance with U.S. election species practice.

Favorable action on the merits is solicited.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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